# **EXPERIENCE – by Ven Dr M. Punnaji**

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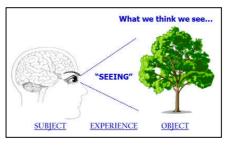
#### MIND, MATTER & EXPERIENCE

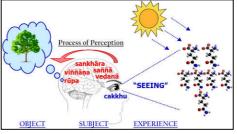
- There is no MATTER and there is no MIND
- There is only <u>EXPERIENCE</u>
- ✤ EXPERIENCE is an <u>ACTIVITY</u>
- ✤ The activity called "EXPERIENCE" creates <u>ENTITIES</u>
- ✤ The 2 entities we create are the SUBJECTIVE SELF and the OBJECTIVE WORLD
- This brings about the concept of "BEING IN THE WORLD"
- We live under the delusion that there is a SUBJECTIVE MENTAL SELF ("atta") and there is an OBJECTIVE MATERIAL WORLD ("loka").
- All this is a product of the process called "EXPERIENCE"
- ♦ We can only speak of the arising and cessation of this ACTIVITY called "EXPERIENCE"

## **EXPERIENCE: SEEING OBJECTS**

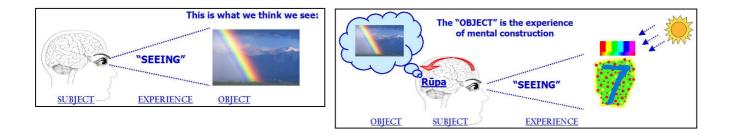
The are 3 parts in an experience:

- 1. SUBJECT
- 2. OBJECT
- 3. EXPERIENCE





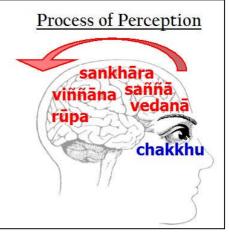
What We Actually Experience



# ANALYZING THE SUBJECTIVE EXPERIENCE

The 5 Cumulatives ("5 aggregates")

- 1. Feeling (Vedanā)
- 2. Sensation (Saññā)
- 3. Mental Construction (Sankhāra)
- 4. Perception (Viññāna)
- 5. Mental Image  $(Rup\bar{a})$



### ANALYZING THE OBJECTIVE EXPERIENCE



#### ANALYZING THE PROCESS OF EXPERIENCING

